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Del Rio Sector Activities - July 2003

DEL RIO, Texas - The following is a report of the enforcement activities of Border Patrol Agents assigned to the Del Rio Sector during July 2003.

Apprehensions

Abilene Station	170
Brackettville Station	416
Carrizo Springs Station.....	479
Comstock Station	96
Del Rio Station	399
Eagle Pass Station	1,021
Llano Station	147
Rocksprings Station	31
San Angelo Station.....	46
Uvalde Station	188

Sector Total **2,993**

Other Than Mexicans*

(*Included in Sector/Station totals)

Drug Seizures

Marijuana Seized (pounds)

Value of Marijuana Seized

Border Safety Activities

July 14, Border Patrol Agents from the Carrizo Springs Station found a group of 10 undocumented immigrants. One of the individuals appeared to be dehydrated at the time of apprehension and was taken to Fort Duncan Hospital in Eagle Pass. Subject was treated for heat exhaustion and dehydration.

July 25, Border Patrol Agents from the Eagle Pass Station rescued a woman in heat distress. The agents were contacted by the Eagle Pass Police Department when the woman's husband used a cell phone to report he was lost in the brush several miles out of town. Agents spoke to the subject and learned that he had crossed the Rio Grande River with his wife and become lost. Due to the extreme temperatures and lack of water, his wife was passing in and out of consciousness. Del Rio Sector Border Patrol Search Trauma and Rescue team was activated and a Sector Air Operations unit responded. Agents from the Eagle Pass Station were dispatched, and located the two Mexican Nationals. It was determined the woman needed to be transported to the Fort Duncan Medical Center for treatment.

July 26, two women from El Salvador became distressed in rapid water while attempting to cross the Rio Grande River near the Eagle Pass Municipal Golf Course. Eagle Pass Station Boat Patrol agents rescued the two women.

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Major Drug Seizures

July 9, Border Patrol Agents from the Eagle Pass Station working 27 miles west of the Eagle Pass Port of Entry discovered six abandoned feed sacks containing marijuana. The sacks contained 72 cellophane wrapped bundles of marijuana totaling 427 pounds valued at \$341,920. The marijuana was turned over to the Drug Enforcement Administration.

July 14, Border Patrol Agents from the Brackettville Station working approximately 15 miles north of Brackettville on RR334 seized 339 pounds of marijuana. The marijuana was turned over to Drug Enforcement Administration.

July 30, Border Patrol Agents from the Del Rio Station and Agents from the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (BICE) arrested a United States Citizen for possession of marijuana. At the time of arrest, the individual was transporting 338.53 pounds of marijuana valued at \$270,824. The individual, the vehicle, and the marijuana were turned over to BICE Agents.

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